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> During the session of the Select Committee (sic) of the Central Committee of the Czechoslovak Communist Party (KSC), which took place in July 1951, Klement Gottwald declared that the political plan must be fulfilled under any circumstances and that it must not be endangered by any concessions to the fulfillment of the economic plan. Czechoslovakia has a fixed time for building up socialism and this time limit must not be exceeded at any cost. The building of agricultural cooperatives must be the prime interest of all party and citizens organizations. Nobody must take any notice of seeming failures while fulfilling the basic political plan. As is clear from the history of the All-union Communist Party of Bolsheviks (Vsesvazova komunisticka strana (bolseviku) - VKS(b)) the present economic difficulties in Czechoslovakia are phenomena occuring in every country building socialism when the means of production are taken over by the state. The reading of the history of VKS(b) will teach everybody as well that building socialism means everywhere a battle against diversionists, saboteurs, Kulaks, class enemies, paid spies and similar subversive elements. The history of the VKS(b) is a well of knowledge and it is necessary to draw continuously from this rich well while building socialism. Gottwald declared furthermore, that he has his information about the Czechoslovak people's state of mind, that he is convinced of the healthy core of the working class and that he is sure that these cadres will understand the necessity of the government steps if the present economic situation is properly explained to them. It is the task of the press to explain constantly to its readers the difference between the present government's precautions and steps and those of pre-Munich governments, to show the difference between the working class standard of living today and during the first republic, and to guard always the interests of large masses of working population and not only the interest of a few individuals. Document No. __ 009

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